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SENATOR HARTNETT: ...if you'd answer my question...

SENATOR JANSSEN: Sure.

SENATOR HARTNETT: ...and maybe we'll just keep this dialogue going here.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Be glad to, Senator Hartnett. I, yes, I made that statement and I believe that it correct, that 53 counties were on. I believe that...I believe that system is the JUSTICE system and I have a letter here, if you'd like me to read, that I got...

SENATOR HARTNETT: Okay.

SENATOR JANSSEN: ...from one of the...the clerks: Money is received in our office for payment by either U.S. mail or they come to the counter to pay. We accept cash, money order, certified check, or personal check. If you pay in a personal check, we do not hold the payee's money until the check has cleared. They do not hold it. The payment is received in and the payee's check is printed the next morning and mailed that day. Generally speaking, our payments are usually received by 2:00 p.m. the day they...they are receipted by 2:00 p.m. the day they are received. Once entered into our...as a payment in our computer system, which is JUSTICE, the information is available immediately to HHS.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Um-hum.

SENATOR JANSSEN: They are able to find out right away if a payment was made, by whom, and for what amount, the date, is there a state debt owed, and to whom the money was to...is to be paid. They have instant access to our information, HHS does. We actually have a 24-hour turnaround time in getting the money to the women and children, a 24-hour turnaround time is all they have...

SENATOR HARTNETT: That's one of your count...

SENATOR JANSSEN: ...before...until they actually get that money.